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1. One of the hardships caused by the counter-blockade was the shortage of "paraflow", a catalyzer used in lubricants to prevent crystallization. This used to be supplied exclusively by the former I.G. Farben plant at Ludwigshafen on the Rhine.
2. On orders from Moscow, the Hydrierwerk in Tröglitz near Zeitz set up an experimental unit for the production of "paraflow", and now after several months' work, on day and night shifts, a product has been developed which is composed of 90% chlorinated paraffin and 10% chlorinated naphthalene, which compares favorably with the Ludwigshafen and the Standard Oil products. A production unit is now under construction and it is expected that by the middle of 1949 the unit will be capable of supplying the demands of the Buna plant in Schkopau and the Hydrierwerke in Rodleben.

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